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In re application of: Widman, et al.

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Title: "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
SEALING A CONDUIT"

## TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of the cited art is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

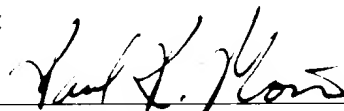
Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

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application, no fee is required. If a fee is required, please accept this transmittal as a petition therefor and charge any fee to Baker Botts L.L.P. (*formerly, Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Deposit Account No. 02-0383, Order No. (002905.0110).

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